COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

"To Enrich Lives Through Effective and Caring Service"

900 SOUTH FREMONT AVENUE
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91803-1331
Telephone: (626) 458-5100
www.ladpw.org

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:
P.O. BOX 1460
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91802-1460

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE: T-3
T030756

March 17, 2004

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: James A. Noyes
        Director of Public Works

90TH STREET WEST AT LEONA AVENUE
BOARD MOTION OF FEBRUARY 17, 2004, SYNOPSIS 12

In response to the attached motion by Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, I am pleased to report that the stop signs at the intersection of 90th Street West and Leona Avenue were installed on March 10, 2004.

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence, as implementation will accommodate traffic-related concerns of residents and motorists.

If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may contact Bill Winter of our Traffic and Lighting Division at (626) 300-4700.

MEM:ja
P:\tlpub\WPFILES\FILES\amemos\T20030756F.DOC

Attach.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
    County Counsel
    Executive Office

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Director of Public Works

At its meeting held February 17, 2004, the Board took the following action:

12

Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"On numerous occasions the Leona Valley Town Council has brought forth their concerns regarding a potentially disastrous traffic safety issue at the intersection of 90th Street West and Leona Avenue. This intersection, located in the unincorporated area of the Antelope Valley, has gained attention through an ongoing community debate that has yet to be resolved. Although the east, west direction of Leona Avenue does have a stop sign, the more heavily traveled 90th Street West does not, allowing high speed traffic to go through the intersection unimpeded.

"Although the Department of Public Works studied this neighborhood and is moving forward on several traffic control devices at other locations, staff remains opposed to the installation of a four-way stop sign at 90th Street West and Leona Avenue.

"The intersection of 90th Street West and Leona Avenue is a dangerous intersection for several reasons. The intersection is located directly adjacent to Leona Valley Elementary School; and pedestrian traffic is unusually high due to the number of children being dropped off and picked up, by their parents, at the school. Despite California Highway Patrol enforcement patrols, drivers regularly speed in this area, and neighbors and Town Council members reported literally dozens of 'near misses.' Individuals traveling northbound on 90th Street West come to the intersection down an incline which can inadvertently allow vehicles to enter the intersection at a high rate of speed and provide minimal reaction time should pedestrians be in the crosswalk.

- 1 -

"Staff of the Department of Public Works has indicated on several occasions that the installation of a four-way stop sign is not 'warranted' pursuant to existing Departmental guidelines. While the department's program to install traffic control devices at other locations in this neighborhood is commendable, residents are insistent that a four-way stop sign is necessitated at the intersection of 90th Street West and Leona Avenue."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Director of Public Works was directed to:

1. Install four-way stop signs at the intersection of 90th Street West and Leona Ave., unincorporated Antelope Valley area; and

2. Report back to the Board within 30 days concerning the installation of the stop signs.

4021704-12

Copies distributed:
   Each Supervisor
   Chief Administrative Officer
   County Counsel